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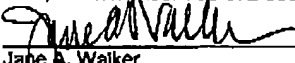
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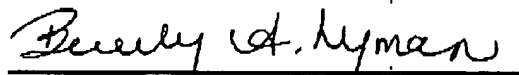
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**RESPONSE**

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed on July 6, 2005, we clarify the statement in item 7 that the telephone interview on June 7, 2005, was only to confirm abandonment of this application and was with Jane Walker, who is a legal assistant with this firm, not an attorney, as stated.

Respectfully submitted,  
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